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Dear Sir/Madam:

Amendment and Response

This response is in reply to the non-final office action mailed on November 15, 2010.
No fees are required with this submission.

Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to read as follows:

“1. A solid homogeneous antidripping fluoropolymer concentrate consisting of fluoropolymer granules of from 5 μm to 1,000 μm coated by a flame retardant selected from brominated epoxy resins and, optionally, additives selected from the group consisting of ultraviolet and light stabilizers, UV screeners, UV absorbers, release agents, lubricants, colorants, plasticizers, fillers, blowing agents, heat stabilizers, antioxidants, reinforcement additives, impact modifiers, and processing aids.”

Antecedent support for this amendment is found, for instance, in paragraphs [0024] and [0028], Table 1, and currently canceled claim 11. Claims 2, 4, 6-8, 12, 13, and 27-29 have been amended to be clearer. Claims 39 and 40 are new and the antecedent basis is found, for instance, in paragraphs [0024] and [0031]. No new matter has been added.